

*I claim:*

1. A composition, comprising: an ethylene diamine or derivative thereof; and an alkanolamine.
- 5 2. The composition of claim 1 wherein said ethylene diamine is tetrahydroxylethylethylene diamine.
3. The composition of claim 1 wherein said alkanolamine is triethanolamine.
- 10 4. The composition of claim 1 wherein said alkanolamine is triisopropanolamine.
5. The composition of claim 1 wherein said alkanolamine is N,N-bis(2-hydroxyethyl)-2-propanolamine.
6. A cementitious composition comprising a hydratable cementitious binder and the composition of claim 1.
- 15 7. A method for enhancing cement grinding process, comprising: introducing, into the grinding of cement clinker to produce cement, an ethylene diamine or derivative thereof; and an alkanolamine.
8. The method of claim 7 wherein said ethylene diamine is tetrahydroxylethylethylene diamine and said alkanolamine is selected from the group 20 consisting of triethanolamine and triisopropanolamine.
9. A composition provided by the method of claim 8.
10. The method of claim 7 wherein the ratio of said ethylene diamine to said alkanolamine is 95:5 to 5: 95 based on weight, and the dosage of said amines to cement is 0.001% s/s to 0.5% s/s.
- 25 11. The method of claim 10 wherein the dosage of said amines to cement is 0.01% to 0.1% s/s.
12. The composition of claim 1 wherein said ethylene diamine is tetrahydroxylethylethylene diamine and said alkanolamine is diethanolisopropanolamine.
- 30 13. The composition of claim 12 wherein said tetrahydroxylethylethylene diamine is present in the amount of 20-30% and said diethanolisopropanolamine is present in the amount of 80-70%, said percentages based on total weight of said composition.
14. The composition of claim 12 further comprising triethanolamine.

15. The method of claim 7 wherein said ethylene diamine is tetrahydroxylethylethylene diamine and said alkanolamine is diethanolisopropanolamine